Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 21 Dec 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 22 Dec 2024

Forecast Issued on Saturday 21 Dec 2024 at 03:10

Confidence: High for changeable weather for the next few days

Headline for Saturday 21 Dec 2024: Very windy with wintry showers

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 21 Dec 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sleet showers	Heavy snow	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	30%	30%	40%	60%

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Weather: Then after a cloudy start there will be clear or sunny periods and occasional sleet or snow showers, these becoming more frequent through the afternoon and turning heavy by evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 60%

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility and air clarity outside of showers. Extensive cloud down to 500 to 800 metres at first. Otherwise patchy cloud at 800 metres and above, mainly in showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	48/65 W	49/68 W	48/67 W	42/58 W	45/63 W	43/60 W	43/60 W
300	24/42 W	26/46 W	28/47 W	24/42 W	26/45 W	25/43 W	24/43 W
Valley	17/38 W	20/42 W	22/43 W	19/39 W	20/41 W	20/40 W	19/40 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	7/-0	5/-3	3/-5	2/-6	0/-9	-0/-10	-2/-11
300	8/4	6/1	6/0	5/-1	3/-4	2/-5	1/-6
Valley	9/6	8/3	7/2	6/1	4/-1	3/-3	2/-4
Freezing Level*	1800m	1100m	900m	800m	600m	500m	300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Summit severe gales will make for slow progress and a risk of being blown over. Be prepared for severe wind chill.

Forecast for Sunday 22 Dec 2024

Weather: Frequent snow and hail showers in the morning, briefly heavy. There will be more in the way of clear skies and fewer showers during the afternoon and evening. Summit gales leading to severe wind chill and a risk of being blown over.

Maximum wind: West or northwesterly average speeds of 40 mph with gusts to 60 mph on the summits

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 70%

Low cloud and visibility: Excellent visibility and air clarity outside of cloud and showers. Cloud lowering to 850 metres as showers pass by.

Temperature: **Valleys:** 0 rising to 4 Celsius
At 700m: 0 Celsius
Freezing level: 200 rising to 600 metres

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